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State Representative Brian McCall

District 66

Brian McCall was elected in a special election in July, 1991, to represent District 60 in Collin County, and reelected to represent new District 66 in 1992, 1994, 1996, and most recently, 1998. He graduated from Baylor University with a Bachelor's degree and earned a Master's from S.M.U. He was a visiting post -graduate student at Oxford University, studying International Politics. He serves on the State Affairs and Calendars Committees, is Vice-Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and is a member of the Sunset Commission.

Significant legislation passed by Representative McCall during the 73rd Session included bills which made stalking a criminal offense, established higher standards for mammography screening, created a series of affordable basic health benefit plans for small businesses employing three to fifty people, established a pilot program to help teenage mothers finish their education, set up a formal structure for the reporting of technological innovations developed in Texas state agencies, and set up licensure, regulation and minimum standards for adult day care facilities.

During the 74th Session, Representative McCall was instrumental in passing bills on DNA Fingerprinting; Tort of Stalking; Notification of a Victim of Stalking, and Elimination of Free Stalk; Protective Orders for Victims of Family

Violence; Insurance Based on Claims Paid not Filed; and License Revocation for Failure to Pay Child Support; a fourth County Court at Law and a new District Court for Collin County.

During the 75th Session, significant legislation Representative McCall passed include bills which Define Protective Orders; Correct the constitutional concerns regarding the Offense of Stalking; Prohibit discrimination in determining employment eligibility and coverage under certain health benefit plans based on the results of genetic testing; Allow women access to obstetrical or gynecological health care under a health benefit plan; Define minimum coverage required under certain health benefit plans for inpatient stays and post-delivery care following child birth; Mandate coverage of tests for detection of prostate cancer under health benefit plans; and Amend the starting date for the statute of limitations for the misappropriation of trade secrets.

During the most recent 76th Session, Representative McCall authored and passed a half billion dollar tax cut plan, which among other things creates a tax holiday for three days each August, removes taxes from over the counter medicines, exempts small business from the Franchise tax, creates Investment and Research and Development Tax Credits, and provides tax credits for employers who provide day care; the "Truth in Employment" bill which allows employers to give truthful references without fear of liability; bills which making Assisted Living Facilities and Home Health Services meet new standards for quality of care; an act which limits liability and forces solutions for Y2K liability problems; a bill which allows the Department of Criminal Justice and the Texas Youth Commission to obtain DNA samples from sex offenders; and a number of comprehensive bills which reorganized various state agencies to increase their efficiency, including the Texas Department of Health, the Department of Criminal Justice, the Center for Rural Health Initiatives, the Board of Pardons and Paroles, Comptroller of Public Accounts, and the Texas Planning Council for Developmental Disabilities.

Representative McCall currently serves as Vice-chair of The Ways and Means Committee, is a member of the Calendars and State Affairs Committees, and also serves on the Sunset Commission.

